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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Regulations Control Staff

SUBJECT : Agency Regulation [REDACTED] "Employment Review Board"

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REFERENCE : Draft of Regulation [REDACTED] signed by Colonel White and transmitted to you under date of 1 November 1954

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1. The approved draft of the subject Regulation, about which you raised a question today, can, I think, be published without further formal coordination, based upon these facts:

a. A meeting was held in the Office of the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, at which time the lengthy original draft of the subject Regulation was discussed by General Cabell, the Deputy Director (Administration), the Assistant Director for Personnel, the Director of Security and the Acting General Counsel.

b. The draft of the Regulation was reduced to the two paragraphs now in your hands at the specific direction of General Cabell who felt that the only things needed in the published Regulation were the statement of statutory provisions and the authority of the DCI to convene such an Employment Review Board at his discretion. General Cabell apparently said that he would leave the drafting of implementing procedures to the Assistant Director for Personnel and the Director of Security, each of whom would formulate those procedures which were particular to each of their offices.

c. Accordingly, I am told that these procedures will be worked up through the joint instrumentality of the Acting General Counsel, the Assistant Director for Personnel and the Director of Security, following the publication of our Regulation [REDACTED]. No decision has yet been reached as to the form in which these procedures will be published, whether by memorandum, Agency Notice or Regulation supplemental to Regulation [REDACTED]. I also understand that no deadline for the drafting of these procedures was imposed by General Cabell.

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2. In the light of the above, unless you have strong feelings that additional coordination is needed, I believe that publication might be undertaken at once. [REDACTED] raised the question of why a Regulation of such broad import was not signed by the DCI. As I understand it, it was General Cabell's feeling that it would be more appropriate for Colonel White to be the authenticating officer, since the intent of this Regulation, and the procedures which will follow, is to preserve the impartiality and objectivity of the Director in the exercise of the powers which these issuances will afford him.

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Deputy Director (Administration)

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